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SUBJECT: ANCHOVY SITUATION

1. MINISTRY FISHERIES ENDING ANCHOVY FISHING ENTIRE PERUVIAN COAST EVENING OF MAY 15 WITH EXCEPTION OF CALLAO WHICH ENDS MAY 17.

2. EXPECT TOTAL CATCH THUS FAR 1974, INCLUDING SOME OTHER SPECIES CAUGHT EARLY IN YEAR, WILL BE 2.2 MILLION M.T., YIELDING 480,000 TONS FISH MEAL AND 130,000 TONS OIL.

3. FULL SCALE OPERACION EUREKA TYPE SURVEY OF 5 DAYS SCHEDULED BEGIN MAY 20.

4. IF SURVEY INDICATES ANCHOVIES PRESENT IN QUANTITIES BEING REPORTED BY FISHERMEN, IT LIKELY THAT FISHING WILL BE PERMITTED IN JUNE AGAINST CURRENT SEA INSTITUTE RECOMMENDATIONS.

5. RECENT CATCHES CONTINUE TO AVERAGE 60,000 TONS DAILY. ANCHOVIES GENERALLY FAT YIELDING 6 PERCENT OIL AND GOOD SIZE, MANY 15-17 CENTIMETERS WITH CURRENT MEAL CONVERSION 23 PERCENT.

6. WATER TEMPERATURE AND PLANKTON RATIO REPORTED FAVORABLE. PRESENCE SMALLER FISH AND PELADILLA REPORTEDLY GIVES UNCLASSIFIED

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OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK FOR GOOD CATCH LATER IN YEAR.

7. FISHMEAL SALES REPORTEDLY BELOW EXPECTATIONS WITH EPCHAP  
ASKING CIF \$410-420 AND GETTING OFFERS 380-390 M.T. SOME  
SALES REPORTED RECENTLY TO MEXICO AND PANAMA, BUT MOST  
MOVEMENT TOWARD SOCIALIST COUNTRIES PROBABLY AT ECHAP'S PRICE.  
FEDERAL GERMANY SHOWING RECENT INTEREST, BUT U.S. BUYERS  
HOLDING BACK.

8. BELIEVE SALES TO DATE ABOUT 300,000 TONS, WITH SHIPMENTS  
OF 45,000 APRIL, 75,000 MAY AND 26,000 TONS ALREADY BOOKED  
FOR JUNE.  
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